

From: Cardinale, Richard
To: [Katharine Macgregor](#)
Subject: Fwd: Invitation to speak at Celebrate Cedar Mesa
Date: Wednesday, February 22, 2017 7:23:16 PM
Attachments: [attachedFile.html](#)
[CCM 2017 Draft Agenda V8.pdf](#)

FYI. Let's discuss.

Rich

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From: **Bail, Kristin** <kbail@blm.gov>
Date: Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 5:00 PM
Subject: Fwd: Invitation to speak at Celebrate Cedar Mesa
To: Richard Cardinale <richard_cardinale@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Jerome Perez <jperez@blm.gov>

Rich -- this just came up on our radar. The event is being hosted and organized by a third party but they are asking for BLM participation. The "Don" being referenced is the local Field Office manager. --K

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From: **Edwin Roberson** <eroberso@blm.gov>
Date: Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 2:25 PM
Subject: Fwd: Invitation to speak at Celebrate Cedar Mesa
To: Kristin Bail <kbail@blm.gov>, Jerome E Perez <jperez@blm.gov>
Cc: Gary Torres <gtorres@blm.gov>

Kristin and Jerry,

As you will see below, I have been asked to sit on a panel led by Carl Rountree. We have Don and some of our folks attending. Don could do the Panel. I feel an obligation to go because of all they have done for the resources and the nice tour they gave me. The sensitivity is the "celebration" headline. What do you all think? Ed

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Josh Ewing <josh@cedarmesafriends.org>
Date: February 10, 2017 at 3:06:56 PM MST
To: Edwin L Roberson <eroberso@blm.gov>
Cc: Don Hoffheins <dhoffhei@blm.gov>
Subject: Invitation to speak at Celebrate Cedar Mesa

Ed:

I know they told you a bit about Celebrate Cedar Mesa. However, I'm writing to extend a warm invitation

directly to you to join us and participate on a panel discussion about the future of Bears Ears. We have invited many BLM Utah, Moab District, and Monticello Field Office staff to attend...and all our agency partners are welcome.

This year Celebrate is March 3-5, and we expect 300+ folks to participate in a weekend of events, which includes service projects Friday, our main gathering with educational presentations Saturday, and hikes on Sunday. See the attached draft agenda for the full run down.

Quite a bit of the Saturday 3/4 agenda is dedicated to Bears-Ears related issues. For example we have a panel discussion about "Debunking Monumental Myths" to help get past all the misinformation about the monument. We also have Lyle Balenquah speaking about Visiting Sacred Sites with Respect.

In addition, we're having a panel discussion entitled "What's next for Bears Ears?" We would love to have representative from the BLM participate in the discussion (you or another leader if you're willing). The panel will be moderated by Carl Rountree, who I know you've worked with extensively in DC. Also on the panel will be Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition Co-chair Alfred Lomaquahu, Nada Culver from the Wilderness Society and John Ruple from the University of Utah law school. We have also invited a representative from the Forest Service (sent to Nora), but have not yet heard back.

OK...Let me know what you think.

Thanks!

Josh Ewing

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Celebrate Cedar Mesa 2017

Annual gathering of people who care about the greater Cedar Mesa area



MARCH 3, 2017 – SERVICE PROJECTS

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

- Sand Island buck building
- Cedar Mesa Highway cleanup
- Calf Canyon parking delineation

MARCH 3, 2016 – FIRESIDE READINGS IN CALF CANYON

7:00 – 9:00 PM: Fireside Readings in Calf Canyon co-hosted by Kirsten of Torrey House Press with guest speakers Jacqueline Keeler, editor of [Edge of Morning](#) and contributors Faith Spotted Eagle, Regina Lopez-Whiteskunk, and Lyle Balenquah, and poets Ann Walka and Vaughn Hadenfeldt. Warm beverages will be served.

MARCH 4, 2017 – MAIN PROGRAM

8:30 – 9:00: **Registration**

9:05 – 9:30: **Welcomes** – 25 min

- Vaughn Hadenfeldt, FCM Board Chair – opens, introduces FCM Board
- Welcomes/comments by the BLM / FS / NPS

9:30– 10:20: **Panel: Debunking Monumental Myths** – Moderated by Dave Nimkin, FCM Board Member and SW Regional Director for the National Parks Conservation Association

- Video on Rio Grande Del Norte National Monument
- Nicole Croft, Grand Staircase Escalante Partners (confirmed)
- John Olivas, Guide and life-long NM resident familiar with Rio Grande del Norte National Monument (confirmed)
- Michael Hoogendyk, Friends of Agua Fria National Monument (confirmed)

10:20 – 10:50 **Research Update: Cedar Mesa Water Project** – Ralph Burrillo

10: 50 – 11:05 - **Break, Silent Auction**

11:05 – 11:25: **Awards Presentation & Organizational Update** – Josh Ewing, Executive Director & Amanda Podmore, Assistant Director

11:25 – 12:15 **Panel: What's Next for Bears Ears** – Moderated by Carl Rountree, former BLM National Conservation Land System Director (confirmed)

- John Ruple, University of Utah Law School (confirmed)
- Alfred Lomaquahu, Co-Chair of the Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition (confirmed)
- Nada Culver, The Wilderness Society BLM Action Center (confirmed)
- BLM and/or FS representatives (tentative)

12:15 – 1:30 PM: **Lunch, Silent Auction**

1:30 – 2:00 **Rock Art of Bears Ears** – Sally Cole (confirmed)

2:00 - 2:30 **Visiting Sacred Sites With Respect** – Lyle Balenquah, Hopi Archaeologists and former San Juan River guide

2:30 – 2:45 **Break**, Silent Auction

2:45 – 3:05 **Cedar Mesa Perishables Project Update** – 20 min - Laurie Webster

3:05 – 3:25 –**Announce Visit with Respect Ambassador Program & Skit** – Amanda Podmore

3:25 – 3:45 **Paleontology of the Bears Ears** – Rob Gay, Paleontologist at Museums of Western Colorado

3:45-4:00 **Why Preservation Matters: An Overview of Recent Site Stabilization Projects On and Around Cedar Mesa** -- Jason Chuipka, archaeologist with Woods Canyon Archaeology

4:00 – 4:10 Break and silent auction bidding

4:10 – 5:10 **Keynote** – author and explorer Craig Childs

5:10-5:15: **Closing remarks**, announce photo contest, announce close of silent auction at 5:30.

6:00 – 7:30 **Taco bar dinner**

MARCH 4, 2016 – AFTER PARTY

8:00 – 11:00 PM: Live music by Wake Up Laughing at the Rusticks Gallery

MARCH 5, 2016 – WORKSHOPS & OUTINGS

9:00 AM: Gather at community center for organized hiking groups – *limited to 9 participants*

9:00 AM: Gather at Community Center for pre-registered workshops – *limited participation, please register!*

- **Indigenous Pottery Firing** – Kelly Magelby of Kayenta Fire (confirmed)
- **Photographing the Ancient Homescape: Ruins, Rock Art and the Poetry of Place**– Bruce Hucko
- **Southwest Pottery Tally “Hikeshop”** – Jonathan Till
- **Pottery ID workshop** – leader TBD